



**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (ES) ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (ESAC)
Collections/Recycling/Public Information Outreach
Subcommittee**

Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes

Thursday, August 1, 2013, 3:30 p.m.
ES Conference Room
Price Service Center – 4004 S. Park Ave., Building 1

1. Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 3:31 p.m. by Kristin Broksas

Present:

Yvonne Merrill
Kristin Brokasa
Neil Markowitz
Rachel Miller
Sandra Fimbres

Representative, Ward 1
Representative, City Manager's Office
Representative, Ward 6
Representative, Ward 3
Representative, City Manager's Office

Absent:

Staff Members Present:

Pat Tapia
Cristina Polsgrove

Administrator, ES
Public Information Officer, ES

2. Chair Report on Current Events – Kristin Broksas

- Acknowledge Wilson Hughes's Years of Service

Kristin talked briefly on Wilson Hughes and his service to Environmental Services and involvement in ESAC Subcommittee meetings. A "Thank You" card was passed around to the Subcommittee Members for them to sign.

3. Director's Report

Pat Tapia gave a brief update on Waste Diversion and informed the Subcommittee Members that Andy, Fran and Nancy will meet with the Mayor to talk about Waste Diversion. There is a tentative study session with Mayor and Council on September 24, 2013 to discuss Waste Diversion.

4. Collections

- CNG Trucks

Twelve of the fourteen trucks have arrived and six are currently on routes. The other trucks were sent back for some modifications that are needed to accommodate the CNG tank.

- Alley Conversions

The Sunnyside Neighborhood is going to be the pilot area for the conversion. It's in ward 5 and includes 220 customers in the area of Valencia and 12th Ave.

5. Public Outreach

- Public Outreach Fiscal Year Overview

Cristina displayed a spreadsheet showing the different events Environmental Services host or participates in. Environmental Services Outreach has ongoing projects, annual events, community events, school outreach programs, and recycling events.

- HHW Program Changes

The 2nd Saturday of every month, Environmental Services will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection at a selected location. Residents living within a mile radius of the event will be informed of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection taking place in their neighborhood.

- CNG Truck Event

The CNG Truck Event took place on June 18, 2013. There was a great turn out from public attendance. The event also received media coverage.

- Know Where to Throw Collections Event

Environmental Services will hold a "Know Where to Throw" Event on November 9, 2013 at the ReCommunity Material Recovery Facility located at 3780 E. Ajo Way. The event will collect recyclable items that cannot be put into the blue barrels but can be recycled within the community such as bras, bike part and textiles.

- Plastic Bag Awareness Campaign

Currently, grocers have a central station where customers can bring in their used plastic bags. An educational campaign is in the works from the grocers for their customers.

6. ES/UA Compost CATS Update

Pat updated the Subcommittee Members on the progress of ES/UA Compost CATS. Environmental Services is working on an agreement between the U of A and ES with the U of A heading the compost pilot program. San Xavier has given the U of A some land for the compost. Environmental Services currently takes animal waste (“Zoo Pooh”) from the zoo to the San Xavier site to use for compost.

7. Brainstorming Session – Waste Reduction

Yvonne Merrill thinks if City Parks were required to recycle we might be able to divert some recycling.

Pat states that the Los Reales Landfill and Brush and Bulky collects tires, send them to be shredded, then bring the shredded tires back to the landfill to be used as groundcover.

Neil Markowitz proposes maybe if we gave congregations a better price than a multi housing unit we might get better results.

8. Call to the Audience

None

9. Set Date/Time and Future Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- September 4, 2013 at 11:30 a.m.
- Invite Frank Bonillas
- August Treecycle
- Collecting Shopping Carts

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.